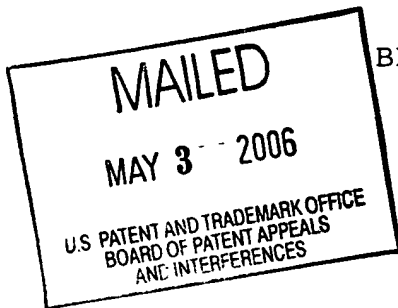


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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Ex parte JAMES E. PRICER

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Application No. 09/779,866

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

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This application was received electronically at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on March 27, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

On December 30, 2005, an "Order Returning Undocketed Appeal to Examiner" was mailed indicating that the appellant filed the Appeal Brief of April 20, 2005 using the format set forth in 37 CFR § 1.192(c). On January 10, 2006, the Examiner mailed a Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief to Appellant.


To date, the USPTO has not received a response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief.

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Accordingly it is

ORDERED that the application is electronically returned to the Examiner to determine if the application is to be abandoned and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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